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LEADERS IN ERISA CLASS ACTION LITIGATION

KELLER ROHRBACK is the nation's leading law firm handling ERISA retirement plan litigation on behalf of Plaintiffs. Our ERISA Litigation Group has been instrumental in pioneering this cutting-edge field of law in the *IKON*, *Lucent* and *Enron* ERISA cases, the first large-scale ERISA 401(k) breach of fiduciary duty lawsuits of their kind. We are widely reported as an ERISA "powerhouse."

On behalf of our clients, Keller Rohrback has played a major role in establishing that ERISA's strict fiduciary duties apply to companies' investment of employees' retirement savings in the stock of the employers. Our efforts have resulted in numerous published decisions upholding Plaintiffs' ERISA claims, granting class certification, and approving several multi-million dollar settlements. In all, to date, Keller Rohrback has recovered over \$750 million for employees on behalf of their retirement savings plans.

Federal courts throughout the country have recognized Keller Rohrback's qualifications to vigorously pursue ERISA class action claims. Thus, Keller Rohrback has served in a leadership position in almost every major ERISA breach of fiduciary duty case involving 401(k) and ESOP plans, including ERISA litigation against the following corporations:

- *AIG*
- *BellSouth*
- *CIGNA*
- *CMS Energy*
- *Delphi*
- *Dynegy*
- *Enron*
- *Ford Motor Co.*
- *Fremont General Corp.*
- *Global Crossing*
- *The Goodyear Tire & Rubber*
- *HealthSouth*
- *Household Int'l*
- *Krispy Kreme Doughnut*
- *Lucent Technologies*
- *Marsh*
- *Merck*
- *Mirant*
- *Polaroid*
- *Providian*
- *Pfizer*
- *Southern Company*
- *Syncor*
- *Williams Companies*
- *WorldCom*
- *Xerox*

Founded in 1919, today Keller Rohrback has 58 attorneys and 90 staff members who provide expert legal services to our clients nationwide. We use cutting-edge technology and case management techniques in the preparation and trial of complex cases. Our excellent support staff includes in-house programming personnel and experienced paralegals who contribute significantly to our ability to effectively and efficiently litigate complex class action cases nationwide. The firm's ERISA Litigation Group regularly calls on firm attorneys in other practice areas for expertise in bankruptcy, contracts, employment law, executive compensation, corporate transactions, financial institutions, insurance coverage, mergers and acquisitions, professional malpractice, and securities transactions. The firm's in-house access to these resources distinguishes Keller Rohrback from other class action firms and also contributes to the firm's success.

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ERISA 401(k) and ESOP Cases

Keller Rohrback is proud to have an unparalleled track record of assisting our clients allege highly technical claims, including the following: (1) failure to prudently and loyally manage the plan and plan assets; (2) failure to provide complete and accurate information regarding company stock to Plan participants; and (3) failure to prudently monitor Plan fiduciaries. We are honored that courts nationwide have repeatedly praised Keller Rohrback's leadership and successful results in this highly complex and rapidly developing area of law.

[Keller Rohrback] has performed an important public service in this action and has done so efficiently and with integrity . . . [Keller Rohrback] has also worked creatively and diligently to obtain a settlement from WorldCom in the context of complex and difficult legal questions . . . [Keller Rohrback] should be appropriately rewarded as an incentive for the further protection of employees and their pension plans not only in this litigation but in all ERISA actions." In re WorldCom, Inc. ERISA Litig., 59 Fed. R. Serv. 3d 1170, 33 Empl. Benefits Cas. (BNA) 2291 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 18, 2004).

"The Court finds that [Keller Rohrback] is experienced and qualified counsel who is generally able to conduct the litigation as Lead Counsel on behalf of the putative class. Keller Rohrback has significant experience in ERISA litigation, serving as Co-Lead Counsel in the Enron ERISA litigation, the Lucent ERISA litigation, and the Providian ERISA litigation, and experience in complex class action litigation in other areas of the law. Mr. Sarko's presentation at the August 26, 2002 hearing before the Court evidences Keller Rohrback's ability to adequately represent the class." In re Williams Cos. ERISA Litig., No. 02-153 (N.D. Okla. Oct. 18, 2002) (order appointing Lead Counsel).



Pioneering ERISA 401(k) and ESOP Cases

Whetman v. IKON Office Solutions, Inc., No. MDL 1318 (E.D. Pa.) (Also cited as “*In re IKON Office Solutions, Inc. Securities Litigation*.”). The current wave of 401(k) company stock cases began with *Whetman v. IKON Office Solutions, Inc.*, No. 2-98-CV-89 (D. Utah). In a first-of-its-kind complaint, we alleged that company stock was an imprudent investment for the plan, that the fiduciaries of the plan failed to provide complete and accurate information concerning company stock to the participants, and that they failed to address their conflicts of interest. This case resulted in groundbreaking opinions in the ERISA 401(k) area of law on motions to dismiss, *Whetman v. IKON Office Solutions, Inc.*, 86 F. Supp. 2d 481 (E.D. Pa. 2000); class certification, *Whetman v. IKON Office Solutions, Inc.*, 191 F.R.D. 457 (E.D. Pa. 2000); approval of securities settlements with a carve-out for ERISA claims, *In re IKON Office Solutions Sec. Litig.*, 194 F.R.D. 166 (E.D. Pa. 2000); and approval of ERISA settlements, *Whetman v. IKON Office Solutions, Inc.*, 209 F.R.D. 94 (E.D. Pa. 2002).

In re Lucent Technologies, Inc. ERISA Litigation, No. 01-CV-3491 (D.N.J.). Keller Rohrback was appointed Co-Lead Counsel in this class action brought on behalf of participants and beneficiaries of the Lucent defined contribution plans that invested in Lucent stock. The complaint alleged that the Defendants withheld and concealed material information from participants, thereby encouraging participants and beneficiaries to continue to make and to maintain substantial investments in company stock and the plans. The settlement provided for, among other relief, the payment of \$69 million in cash and stock to the plan. Judge Joel Pisano approved the settlement on December 12, 2003.

In re Enron Corp. ERISA Litigation, No. H 01-CV-3913 (S.D. Tex.) (Also cited as “*Tittle v. Enron Corp.*”). Keller Rohrback served as Co-Lead Counsel in this class action filed in the Southern District of Texas on behalf of participants and beneficiaries of the Enron Corporation Savings Plan, a 401(k) plan and ESOP plan. On September 30, 2003, Judge Melinda Harmon denied Defendants’ numerous motions to dismiss in a landmark decision that addressed in detail Defendants’ obligations as ERISA fiduciaries, and upheld Plaintiffs’ core ERISA claims. See *Tittle v. Enron Corp.*, 284 F. Supp. 2d 511 (S.D. Tex. 2003). Judge Harmon subsequently granted Plaintiffs’ motion for class certification and affirmed Keller Rohrback as Co-Lead Counsel. See *Tittle v. Enron Corp.*, No. 01-3913, 2006 WL 1662596 (S.D. Tex. June 7, 2006). Plaintiffs have achieved settlements totaling more than \$264 million in cash for the Enron plan participants.

In re WorldCom, Inc. ERISA Litigation, No. 02 Civ. 4816 (DLC) (S.D.N.Y.). Keller Rohrback serves as Lead Counsel in this class action filed in the Southern District of New York on behalf of participants and beneficiaries of the WorldCom 401(k) Salary Savings Plan. On June 17, 2003, Judge Denise Cote denied in part Defendants’



motions to dismiss. See *In re WorldCom, Inc. ERISA Litig.*, 263 F. Supp. 2d 745 (S.D.N.Y. 2003), and on October 4, 2004, granted Plaintiffs' motion for class certification. See *In re WorldCom, Inc. ERISA Litig.*, 2004 WL 2211664 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 4, 2004). Settlements providing for injunctive relief and payments of over \$48 million to the plan were approved on October 26, 2004 and November 21, 2005.

Groundbreaking ERISA 401(k) and ESOP Settlements

Keller Rohrback's qualifications to lead ERISA 401(k) and ESOP class actions is nowhere more evident than in the highly favorable settlements it has achieved for the benefit of employees in several of its nationally prominent cases. In addition to the *Enron*, *WorldCom*, *IKON*, and *Lucent* settlements discussed above, these settlements include:

In re BellSouth Corporation ERISA Litigation, No. 02-CV-2440 (N.D. Ga.). On March 4, 2004, Judge J. Owen Forrester denied Defendants' motion to dismiss. See *Hill v. BellSouth Corp.*, 313 F. Supp. 2d 1361 (N.D. Ga. 2004). On December 5, 2006, Judge Forrester approved a settlement that provided structural relief for the Plans valued at up to \$90 million, plus attorneys fees and costs. See *In re BellSouth Corp. ERISA Litig.*, No. 02-CV-2440 (N.D. Ga. Dec. 5, 2006).

In re CMS Energy ERISA Litigation, No. 02-72834 (E.D. Mich.). On March 31, 2004, Judge George Caram Steeh denied Defendants' motions to dismiss. See *In re CMS Energy ERISA Litig.*, 312 F. Supp. 2d 898 (E.D. Mich. 2004). On December 27, 2004, Judge Steeh granted plaintiffs' motion for class certification. See *In re CMS Energy ERISA Litig.*, 225 F.R.D. 539 (E.D. Mich. 2004). Judge Steeh subsequently approved the \$28 million settlement negotiated by the parties.

In re Dynegy, Inc. ERISA Litigation, No. H-02-3076 (S.D. Tex.). On March 5, 2004, the court denied, in part, Defendants' motions to dismiss. See *In re Dynegy, Inc. ERISA Litig.*, 309 F. Supp. 2d 861 (S.D. Tex. 2004). Subsequently, the parties reached a settlement that provided for the payment of \$30.75 million in cash to the plan. On December 10, 2004, Judge Sim Lake approved the settlement. See *In re Dynegy, Inc. ERISA Litig.*, No. 02-3076 (S.D. Tex. Dec. 10, 2004).

In re Global Crossing Ltd. ERISA Litigation, 02 Civ. 7453 (GEL) (S.D.N.Y.). The *Global Crossing ERISA Litigation* settlement provided for, among other relief, the payment of \$79 million to the plan. Judge Gerard Lynch approved the settlement on November 10, 2004. See *In re Global Crossing Ltd. ERISA Litig.*, No. 02-7453, 2004 WL 3019763 (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 29, 2004).

In re HealthSouth Corp. ERISA Litigation, No. CV-03-BE-1700-S (N.D. Ala.). On June 28, 2006, Judge Karon Bowdre approved a settlement in the amount of \$28.875



million, with a possible additional \$1 million from any HealthSouth recovery in the derivative action.

In re Household International, Inc. ERISA Litigation, No. 02 C 7921 (N.D. Ill.). On March 31, 2004, Judge Samuel Der-Yeghiyan denied, in part, Defendants' motions to dismiss. See *Cokenour v. Household Int'l Inc.*, No. 02-7921, 2004 WL 725973 (N.D. Ill. Mar. 31, 2004). The case subsequently settled for \$46.5 million in cash to the plan. The court approved the settlement on November 22, 2004. See *Cokenour v. Household Int'l Inc.*, No. 02 C 7921 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 22, 2004).

In re Mirant Corporation ERISA Litigation, No. 1:03-CV-1027 (N.D. Ga.). On November 16, 2006, the court approved the settlement, including a payment of \$9.7 million in cash to the Plan for losses suffered by the certified Settlement Class.

In re Polaroid ERISA Litigation, No. 03-CV-8335 (S.D.N.Y.). On March 31, 2005, Judge William H. Pauley III granted in part and denied in part Defendants' motion to dismiss. See *In re Polaroid ERISA Litig.*, 362 F. Supp. 2d 461 (S.D.N.Y. 2005). On September 29, 2006, Judge Pauley granted Plaintiffs' motion for class certification. See *In re Polaroid ERISA Litig.*, 240 F.R.D. 65 (S.D.N.Y. 2006). The parties subsequently reached a settlement in the amount of \$15 million, which was approved by the court on June 25, 2007.

In re Providian Financial Corp. ERISA Litigation, No. C-01-5027-CRB (N.D. Cal.). The *Providian ERISA Litigation* settlement provided for structural changes to the plan, as well as the payment of \$8.6 million in cash to the plan. The court approved the settlement on June 30, 2003. See *In re Providian Fin. Corp. ERISA Litig.*, No. 01-5027, 2003 WL 22005019 (N.D. Cal. June 30, 2003).

Smith v. Krispy Kreme Doughnut Corporation, No. 1:05-CV-06187 (M.D.N.C.). The Krispy Kreme ERISA Litigation settlement provided for structural changes to the plan, as well as the payment of \$4.75 million in cash. On January 10, 2007, Judge William L. Osteen approved the settlement.

In re Southern Company ERISA Litigation, No. 1:04-CV-1912-RWS (N.D. Ga.). On August 14, 2007, the court granted final approval of the settlement, including a payment of \$15,000,000 in cash to the Plan for losses suffered by the certified Settlement Class.

In re Visteon Corporation ERISA Litigation, No. 05-71205 (E.D. Mich.). On March 9, 2007, Judge Aven Cohn approved a settlement in the amount of \$7.6 million.

In re Williams Companies ERISA Litigation, No. 02-CV-153 (N.D. Okla.). On November 16, 2005, the court approved the settlement for \$55 million in cash, plus



the Plan to (i) reduce the employer match thereunder below four percent prior to January 1, 2011, or (ii) require that the employer match be restricted in company stock prior to January 1, 2011.

Pending ERISA Cases

In addition to the cases listed above, Keller Rohrback has been appointed to a leadership position in numerous other ongoing ERISA 401(k) and ESOP class actions. Through these cases, Keller Rohrback has again and again demonstrated its expertise in ERISA law, and its ability to vigorously, creatively, and successfully pursue employees' rights under ERISA. Keller Rohrback's leading role in the development of this law is unique and distinguishes the firm from any other in the country. Notable pending cases include:

In re AIG ERISA Litigation, No. 04-CV-9387 (S.D.N.Y.). On December 12, 2006, the Honorable John E. Sprizzo issued an order in which he denied Defendants' motions to dismiss. See *In re AIG ERISA Litig.*, No. 04-9387 (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 12, 2006).

In re Delphi Corporation Securities, Derivative & "ERISA" Litigation, No. 05-CV-70882 (E.D. Mich.). On September 5, 2007, the Court preliminarily approved a settlement amount of \$47 million, preliminarily certified a Settlement Class and scheduled a Fairness Hearing for November 13, 2007.

In re Fremont General Corporation Litigation, No. 2:07-cv-02693-FMC-FFM (C.D. Cal.). On August 17, 2007, Keller Rohrback was appointed sole Interim Lead Counsel.

In re The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company ERISA Litigation, No. 5:03CV02180 (N.D. Ohio). Judge John R. Adams denied Defendants' motions to dismiss on July 6, 2006. See *In re The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. ERISA Litig.*, No. 03-2180, 2006 WL 1928470 (N.D. Ohio July 6, 2006).

In re J.P. Morgan Chase Cash Balance Litigation, No. 06-cv-0732 (S.D.N.Y.). On October 30, 2006, Judge Harold Baer, Jr. granted in part and denied in part Defendants' motion to dismiss. See *In re J.P. Morgan Chase Cash Balance Litig.*, 460 F. Supp. 2d 479 (S.D.N.Y. 2006). On May 30, 2007, Judge Baer granted in part and denied in part Plaintiffs' motion for class certification, and certified a class of participants with respects to Plaintiffs' age discrimination and ERISA notice claims. The Court appointed Keller Rohrback L.L.P. as class counsel along with its two Co-Lead Counsel firms. See *In re J.P. Morgan Chase Cash Balance Litig.*, No. 06-cv-0732, 242 F.R.D. 265 (S.D.N.Y. 2007).

Lilly, et al. v. Oneida LTD, et al., No. 6:07-cv-0040 (N.D.N.Y.).



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In re Marsh ERISA Litigation, No. 04-CV-8157 (S.D.N.Y.). On December 14, 2006, the Honorable Shirley Wohl Kram issued an order in which she granted in part and denied in part the Defendants' Motions to Dismiss. See *In re Marsh ERISA Litig.*, No. 04-8157, 2006 WL 3706169 (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 14, 2006).

In re Merck & Co., Inc., Securities, Derivative & "ERISA" Litigation, No. 3:05-CV-01151 (D.N.J.). On July 11, 2006, Judge Stanley R. Chesler granted in part and denied in part Defendants' motions to dismiss. See *In re Merck & Co., Inc., Sec., Derivative & "ERISA" Litig.*, No. 05-1151, 2006 WL 2050577 (D.N.J. July 11, 2006).

Montoya, et al. v. ING Life Insurance and Annuity Company, et al., No. 07-CV-2574 (S.D.N.Y.).

Nowak, et al. v. Ford Motor Company, No. 06-cv-11718 (E.D. Mich.). On December 22, 2006, Keller Rohrback was appointed Interim Co-Lead Counsel and on May 8, 2007, the Consolidated Amended complaint was filed.

In re Pfizer ERISA Litigation, No. MDL-1688 (S.D.N.Y.).

In re Syncor ERISA Litigation, No. 03 CV 2446 (LGB) (C.D. Cal.). On August 23, 2004, Judge Baird denied, in part, Defendants' motions to dismiss. See *In re Syncor ERISA Litig.*, 351 F. Supp. 2d 970 (C.D. Cal. 2004). Judge Baird subsequently granted Plaintiffs' motion for class certification on March 28, 2005. The case recently settled for \$4 million, but was dismissed on summary judgment before the settlement could be approved. Plaintiffs' appeal to enforce the settlement is pending in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

In re Xerox Corporation ERISA Litigation, No. 02-CV-1138 (AWT) (D. Conn.). On April 17, 2007, Judge Alvin W. Thompson denied in all significant parts the Defendants' motions to dismiss. *In re Xerox Corp. ERISA Litig.*, 483 F. Supp. 2d 206 (D. Conn. 2007).

Representative Securities Fraud Cases

In addition to its work in the ERISA arena, Keller Rohrback also has served as lead or Co-Lead Counsel in a number of securities fraud class action cases where it has represented purchasers of securities.

In re 2TheMart.Com Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 99-1127 DOC (ANx) (S.D. Cal.). Keller Rohrback was appointed Co-Lead Counsel in this securities fraud class action and achieved a settlement of \$2.7 million.



In re Anicom Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 00 C 4391 (N.D. Ill.). Keller Rohrback was one of three counsel representing the State of Wisconsin Investment Board in this securities fraud class action. Counsel achieved settlements on behalf of the class and other parties in excess of \$39 million.

In re Apple Computer, Inc. Derivative Litigation, No. C-06-04128 (N.D. Cal.). Keller Rohrback serves on the Plaintiffs' Management Committee in this federal derivative shareholder action against nominal Defendant Apple Computer, Inc. and current and former officers and members of Apple's Board of Directors. Plaintiffs allege, among other things, breach of fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment, and gross mismanagement arising from the practice of backdating stock options granted between 1993 and 2001, which practice diverted millions of dollars of corporate assets to Apple executives.

In re Autodesk, Inc. Derivative Litigation, No. 06-7185 (N.D. Cal.). Keller Rohrback has been appointed to Chair the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee in this federal derivative shareholder action pending in the Northern District of California. Plaintiff brings claims on behalf of nominal Defendant Autodesk, Inc., and certain current and former Autodesk officers and directors. These Defendants are alleged to have, among other things, breached their fiduciary obligations to Autodesk by engaging in the practice of backdating certain broad-based employee stock options, which practice has diverted millions of dollars of corporate assets and is forcing Autodesk to record additional compensation expenses.

In re Foundry Networks, Inc. Shareholder Derivative Litigation, No. 06-05598 (N.D. Cal.). Keller Rohrback L.L.P. has been appointed Co-Lead Counsel in this federal derivative shareholder action against nominal Defendant Foundry Networks, Inc., and current and former officers and members of Foundry's Board of Directors. Plaintiffs allege, among other things, breach of fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment, and gross mismanagement arising from the practice of backdating stock options granted between 2000 and 2003, which practice has diverted millions of dollars of corporate assets to Foundry executives.

Getty v. Harmon, et al., No. C98-0178 (W.D. Wash.). This securities class action was brought on behalf of all people who purchased unregistered securities from Defendants. The suit was settled in favor of the Plaintiffs in the amount of \$7 million.

IKON Securities Litigation, No. 98 CV-5483 (E.D. Pa.). Keller Rohrback served as Co-Lead Counsel representing the City of Philadelphia and eight other lead Plaintiffs. Class Counsel achieved the highest securities fraud settlement in the history of the Court by settling with Defendant IKON Office Solutions, Inc. for \$111 million.

Lasky v. Brown (United Companies Securities Litigation), No. CV99-1035-B-M2 (M.D. La.). Keller Rohrback served as Co-Lead Counsel in this securities fraud class action, and secured a \$20.5 million settlement.



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In re Scientific-Atlanta, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 1:01-CV-1950-RWS (N.D. Ga.). Keller Rohrback L.L.P. serves as Co-Lead Counsel in this case, in which Plaintiffs allege that Defendants engaged in a course of fraudulent conduct by misrepresenting and omitting material information pertaining to Scientific-Atlanta's financial results and by engaging in extensive channel stuffing in order to enable the company to meet its stated earnings expectations.

In re WorldPort Communications, Inc., No. 1-99-CV-1817 (N.D. Ga.). Keller Rohrback played an active role in the prosecution of this securities fraud class action and secured settlements totaling \$5,100,000.

In re Zoran Corp. Derivative Litig., No. 06-05503 (N.D. Cal.). Keller Rohrback serves as sole Lead Counsel in this federal derivative shareholder action against Zoran Corporation and certain current and former officers and directors. Plaintiff alleges, among other things, breach of fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment, corporate waste, and violation of federal securities laws arising from the practice stock option backdating. In one of the most thorough decisions issued to date, Judge Alsup denied in significant part Defendants' motion to dismiss. See *In re Zoran Corp. Derivative Litig.*, No. 06-0553, 2070 WL 1650948 (N.D. Cal. June 5, 2007).

Other Representative Cases

Erickson, et al. v. Bartell Drug Co., No. C00-1213L (W.D. Wash.). This landmark case, won on summary judgment, established that a private employer excluding prescription contraception services from an otherwise extensive health insurance plan unlawfully discriminates under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Pregnancy Discrimination Act.

Ferko, et al v. NASCAR, No. 4:02-CV-50 (E.D. Tex.). Keller Rohrback was counsel for Plaintiff in a lawsuit that charged NASCAR with breach of contract and unlawful monopolization. The suit also claimed that NASCAR and another Defendant, International Speedway Corporation ("ISC"), engaged in a conspiracy to restrain trade in violation of the antitrust laws. Keller Rohrback represented the shareholders of Speedway Motorsports, Inc. ("SMI"), a publicly traded company that owns six motorsports facilities, including Texas Motor Speedway ("TMS"). In May 2004, the parties reached a settlement agreement, pursuant to which, among other things, SMI agreed to purchase North Carolina Speedway from ISC for \$100.4 million. The settlement was approved by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas.

In re Carpet Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:95-CV-1494 (N.D. Ga.). This antitrust class action alleged a nationwide price-fixing conspiracy among the manufacturers and



sellers of polypropylene carpet and was brought on behalf of purchasers of such carpet. Plaintiffs negotiated a successful settlement.

In re Commercial Tissue Products Antitrust Litigation, No. MDL 1189 (N.D. Fla.). This antitrust case involved allegations of a nationwide price-fixing conspiracy among the major manufacturers of facial tissue, toilet paper, paper towels, and related paper products used in “away from home” settings, such as office buildings, hotels, restaurants, and schools. Parties entered into a settlement agreement valued at \$56.2 million in cash and coupons.

In re Diet Drugs (Phentermine/Fenfluramine/Dexfenfluramine) Products Liability Litigation, No. MDL 1203 (E.D. Pa.). These cases involve numerous Plaintiffs in Washington and other states who seek medical monitoring and/or personal injury compensation in relation to their ingestion of the prescription diet drugs Pondimin and Phentermine (*i.e.*, Fen-Phen) or Redux. Keller Rohrback serves as Class Counsel for a certified medical monitoring class of Washington patients who ingested these diet drugs. In addition, Judge Louis C. Bechtle, the federal judge who supervised the national settlement and litigation, appointed Lynn Lincoln Sarko, Keller Rohrback’s managing partner, to serve as a member of the MDL 1203 Plaintiffs’ State Liaison Counsel Committee. Keller Rohrback has represented, and continues to represent, numerous Plaintiffs in pursuing individual personal injury claims through the American Home Products’ Nationwide Class Action Diet Drug Settlement or through individual lawsuits brought in state or federal courts.

In re the Exxon Valdez, No. A89 095 (D. Alaska). Keller Rohrback represents fishermen, Alaska natives, municipalities, and other injured Plaintiffs in this mass tort lawsuit arising out of the March 24, 1989, oil spill in Prince William Sound, Alaska. After a three-month jury trial, Plaintiffs obtained \$5 billion in punitive damages—the largest punitive damages verdict in U.S. history. Keller Rohrback played a leadership role during discovery and at trial, and was chosen to serve as Administrator of both the Alyeska and Exxon Qualified Settlement Funds. Litigation, including an appeal, continues.

In re First USA Bank, No. C97-1482D 9 (W.D. Wash.). This class action was filed on behalf of owners of credit cards issued by First USA Bank who signed up for “introductory rate” credit cards that were subject to false and deceptive “repricing.” A settlement in this class action resulted in an automatic depricing benefit of over \$50 million, plus over \$36 million in benefits from other settlement-related offers.

In re Linerboard Antitrust Litigation, MDL Docket No. 1261 (E.D. Pa.). The class actions in this litigation were resolved with the recovery of more than \$202 million for the benefit of a class of businesses that purchased corrugated boxes and sheets. The combined settlements are the largest ever obtained in a price-fixing class action in the



Eastern District of Pennsylvania and among the largest obtained in such a case nationally.

In re Monosodium Glutamate Antitrust Litigation, No. MDL No. 00-1328 (D. Minn.). Keller Rohrback represents the Plaintiff Class in this case pending in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. So far, \$124 million has been recovered for the benefit of a class of businesses which purchased food flavor enhancers from suppliers in the U.S., Japan, Korea, and Taiwan. Businesses which participated in the recovery received nearly 200% of the amounts they were overcharged.

In re Microsoft Corp. Antitrust Litigation, No. MDL 1332 (D. Md.). Keller Rohrback served on the Executive Committee of Plaintiffs' counsel in this class action challenging Microsoft's monopolistic practices. A class of direct purchasers of operating system software achieved a settlement of \$10.5 million in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland.

In re Phillip Morris Securities Litigation, No. 94 Civ. 1494 (TCP) (E.D.N.Y.). This shareholder derivative class action alleged misrepresentations regarding various inventory and trade loading practices used to distort the timing of sales. The Plaintiff class in this and a related case received in excess of \$100 million in settlement.

Salloway v. Malt-O-Meal Company, No. PI-98-008931 (State of Minnesota, Hennepin County District Court). This nationwide product liability class action was brought on behalf of all people who consumed Defendant's salmonella-contaminated cereal. Plaintiffs negotiated a successful settlement.

Wholesale Vitamins Price Fixing, Case No. 00-631-CIV (S.D. Fla.). Keller Rohrback played an extensive role in trial preparation in this case, one of the largest and most successful antitrust cases in history. Chief Judge Thomas Hogan of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia certified two classes of businesses who directly purchased bulk vitamins and were overcharged as a result of a ten year global price-fixing and market allocation conspiracy. Through settlement and verdict, recoveries were achieved, including four major settlements between certain vitamin Defendants and Class Plaintiffs. One landmark partial settlement totaled \$1.1 billion.



Lynn Lincoln Sarko

Lynn Lincoln Sarko, the managing partner of Keller Rohrback L.L.P. since 1991, leads the firm's nationally recognized Complex Litigation Group. An accomplished trial lawyer, he regularly serves as lead counsel in multi-party and class actions involving ERISA, breach of fiduciary duty and antitrust issues, and professional organizations have honored him for his work in high profile public cases. Mr. Sarko first came to Seattle for a federal clerkship. He returned after serving as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Washington D.C. Courts. After serving as trial counsel in the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill case, which resulted in a \$5 billion punitive damages verdict, he was appointed by the court as Administrator for all funds recovered. Mr. Sarko has served as lead or co-lead counsel in numerous leading ERISA cases, including the largest and most complex – the *Enron*, *WorldCom*, and *Global Crossing* cases, and numerous other 401(k) and ESOP cases including: *In re Lucent Technologies ERISA Litigation*; *In re Xerox ERISA Litigation*; *In re Dynegy, Inc. ERISA Litigation*; *In re Williams Cos. ERISA Litigation*; *In re BellSouth Corp. ERISA Litigation*; *In re Household International ERISA Litigation*; *In re Polaroid ERISA Litigation*; and *In re Marsh ERISA Litigation*.



Mr. Sarko's ERISA litigation practice has focused on prosecuting matters raising sophisticated 401(k) and ESOP plan issues, including: preemption; fiduciary breach; fiduciary misrepresentation claims; imprudent investment claims; blackout period and mapping violations; plan asset diversification; prohibited transaction allegations; cash balance litigation; directed trustee litigation; Section 404(c) defenses; and ERISA class action issues. He regularly appears in federal courts from coast to coast, maintaining an active national ERISA litigation practice.

In addition to his work as lead or co-lead counsel in leading ERISA cases, Mr. Sarko has previously prosecuted a variety of class actions involving high profile matters including the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill, the Microsoft civil antitrust case, Vitamins price-fixing cases, the MDL *Fen/Phen Diet Drug Litigation*, as well as notable public service lawsuits such as *Erickson v. Bartell Drug Co.*, establishing a woman's right to prescription contraceptive health coverage. Aided in part by his M.B.A. in accounting, Mr. Sarko has also litigated numerous complex cases involving financial and accounting fraud, including actions against several of the nation's largest accounting and investment firms.

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Lynn Lincoln Sarko (continued)

Education and Admissions

Mr. Sarko received his undergraduate, M.B.A. and law degrees at the University of Wisconsin, where he served as the editor-in-chief of the law review and was selected by the faculty as the outstanding graduate of his class. He is admitted to practice in Washington State; Wisconsin; the District of Columbia; United States District Courts in Arizona, Colorado, D.C., Washington and Wisconsin; United States Courts of Appeal for the Second, Fourth, Seventh, Ninth, and Tenth Circuits, and for the District of Columbia; as well as the United States Supreme Court.

Memberships

He is a member of the King County Bar Association, the Washington State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association.

Laurie Ashton

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